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## BROPHY COLLEGE

### Advertizing

Father O'Keeffe has been extremely active in devising ways and means of advertizing our school. Arizona Catholics are on the whole in no financial position to pay tuition, and students must be drawn from other States, Arizona students being received at reduced rates. Ads are being run in various newspapers and Catholic magazines throughout the country; hotel literature and Arizona publicity pamphlets carry cuts and ads of the college; and a new Brophy pamphlet similar to the Bellarmine Prep pamphlet will soon come off the press. Also several huge enlargements of pictures of the beautiful college buildings have been hung in the lobbies of the large hotels in Phoenix, Chandler, and Tucson, in order to reach wealthy people of other states who make Phoenix their winter playground. Next year should see results.

### Library Drive

Various Fathers have been active in promoting the library drive so that Father Rector's room has for the past month looked very much like a second hand book shop. However, there is order in the chaos, for Father O'Keeffe has every book stamped firmly and often, and sees that it arrives on the proper shelf. Commodious reading tables have been constructed in the library.

### Successful Season

And speaking of advertizing, our football team has won six straight games, generally by huge scores,

meeting high school teams from all parts of the State. This has meant plenty of publicity in Arizona papers. The team is coached by Mr. James Robinson, brother of Father Leo Robinson, and has been compared with the famous Four Horsemen team of Notre Dame in local write-ups. The team will likely finish the season undefeated, an excellent criterion of the ability of our coach. One post-season game may however find the Brophy Pintos on the short end of the score. The city of Tucson was anxious to put on a charity game for the Protestant and Catholic orphan asylums, the latter founded by Mrs. W. H. Brophy, and asked Brophy College to cooperate. Tucson High, a powerful team, is the opponent for December 1st.

### Wet Pavement

Father Fox spent several days in the hospital as a result of a fall on the wet pavement during an unprecedented storm. Phoenicians are used only to dry weather. Father O'Keeffe took over the classes of Father Fox.

### K. of C. Retreats

Ours in Phoenix have been trying for two years to arouse interest in retreat work. This winter they meet with partial success. The Knights of Columbus are anxious to celebrate the coming jubilee of their organization in a befitting manner, and contemplate a series of retreats for each of the nine councils in Arizona. Closed retreats are impossible at this moment on account of the long distances and lack of suitable accommodations;

hence they have decided to hold open retreats, glorified missions, in each of nine cities. These retreats will begin immediately after the holidays, and have been committed to the Jesuits. If possible, one of the Brophy Fathers will give the retreats in succession, as requested by the Knights; but if this is impossible, a Father will be sent from the Coast.

### First Mass in Phoenix

One of Ours, on studying the history of Arizona last year, detected that 1931 is the fiftieth anniversary of the first Mass ever said in Phoenix, and secondly, that the priest who said the Mass, Rt. Rev. Msgr. Edward Gerard, is still alive. He at once took up with the Bishop the possibility of a grand religious and civic celebration, an occasion that would be rendered unique by the presence of Monsignor Gerard. As a result on Sunday, November 22nd, a Solemn Pontifical Mass was celebrated at St. Mary's Church (the parish founded fifty years ago by Monsignor Gerard) by His Excellency Bishop Gercke. Monsignor Gerard sat in an honored place in the sanctuary, as he is too old and blind for active participation in the ceremonies, and the Franciscan Fathers were the assistants to the Bishop and officers at the Mass. Father O'Keeffe, the first native Arizonian to be raised to the priesthood, preached an eloquent sermon. In the late afternoon, civic ceremonies were held on a platform in the school yard with the Governor, Mayor and other city officials present. Prominent amongst these was our Postmaster, Col. James J. McClintock, who fifty years ago, though not a Catholic, sang in the choir when the first church was dedicated. Col. McClintock spoke and gave interesting reminiscences, and Monsignor Gerard spoke a few words to the large gathering of Catholics and non-Catholics. A banquet planned for the evening was omitted on account of the financial depression.

### Visitors

Father Gleeson arrived on November 12th from San Francisco to give a retreat to the Good Shepherd Sisters and to remain several weeks for a well earned rest. Visitors at Brophy are rare, and those that stay long are rarer. Father Zacheus Maher spent a few short hours with us while en-route to Tucson to give the retreat for the diocesan clergy.

### Brophy Requiem

On November 13th, the seventh anniversary of the death of William Henry Brophy, a Solemn Requiem Mass was offered for the repose of the soul of the man to whose memory the institution has been erected. Father Gleeson sang the Mass and Father O'Keeffe preached the sermon. The entire faculty and student body and many friends assisted at the ceremony.

### Radio Lectures

The radio lectures of Father Vaughan continue to attract wide attention. Recently he was asked by a history teacher in the local public high school to give a talk on the election of the Pope. The history class was ordered to listen in and give a report. Complimentary letters have come in from as far west as San Diego, from Logan, Montana on the north, and from Nebraska on the east. Let some of Ours in the north try to pick out KOY—1390 kilos—and write the station owner, KOY, Phoenix. It will help the cause, for the use of the station is gratis.

### Open Forum

The Open Forum continues to attract crowds each Monday evening. Fathers Watson and Vaughan alternate with the Franciscan Fathers in this work. A recent meeting found the hall packed, in all five hundred people, and a vast proportion consisted of non-Catholics.

### Charity Pageant

On Thanksgiving Day, the local newspaper, sponsored a gigantic charity pageant in the High School Stadium. Father Maginnis, well-known as guide to our football activities, was invited to speak. He gave a ten minute address on the meaning of charity.

### League of Sacred Heart

Father Howard is working hard to establish at Brophy the devotion to the Sacred Heart that usually prevails in Jesuit colleges. He has had neat boards made for each classroom, whereon are tacked each month the placards for the list of good works. He is also working up successfully the First Friday Communions, and a large number of the students has responded to his appeal.

### Indian Holy Name

A unique work, also in charge of Father Howard, is the Holy Name Society at the nearby government



Indian School. This society is made up of both girls and boys. It meets every Sunday evening with hymns and prayers by the members, about 150 in all, and a varied musical and oratorical program. The students supply the oratory, often in the form of debates; and friends of Father Howard supply the music.

#### For the Sick

In spite of the fact that Phoenix has a Community Chest, Father Burns has individually launched a silent drive for food, clothing and money for his desert parish of dying T. B.s. When the sick are also destitute, human misery can drop no farther, and oftentimes there are a wife and children to be cared for. Father Burns has to supply their physical as well as their spiritual needs. If you can help, or know others who will help, don't hesitate.

#### Series of Novenas

A series of Novenas in honor of St. Francis Xavier to relieve the financial situation of the college was begun by the community on October 28th, and the prayers, having been approved by ecclesiastical authorities, have been printed and will be distributed among the friends of the college with an invitation to join in the novenas.

#### Mothers' Club

A preliminary meeting of the Brophy Mothers' Club was held on November 20th, with Father O'Keeffe presiding and explaining the modus operandi. Mothers of actual and former pupils were present. It was in the nature of an organization meeting and officers for the coming year were elected.

#### Men's Association

The executive committee of the Brophy Men's Association met at the college November 4th to discuss plans for the coming year. It was decided to hold the first meeting on December 9th, at a supper in honor of our new president, Father O'Keeffe. Preparations were made to secure speakers for future meetings.

### LOS ANGELES LOYOLA UNIVERSITY Glee Club

The quarterly reading of marks was signalized by the first appearance of a Glee Club under the leadership of Father Lawrence Heaney. Some

twenty students compose the Club and the enthusiasm of their reception gives proof of the quality of their performance.

The Club made its second appearance at the monthly meeting of the Loyola University Guild, and was hailed with equal delight by the mothers and by all privileged to hear it.

#### Band

One might almost think that Loyola had gone musical; for simultaneous with the inception of the Glee Club, a band was organized by Father Duce. The band has yet to make its first appearance.

#### Loyola Guild

At the monthly meeting of the Loyola University Mothers' Club it was decided to change the name of the organization to Loyola University Guild, so as to make it more inclusive in its membership.

The Guild is sponsoring a Library Tea at the home of Mrs. Francis S. Montgomery on Sunday, December 6th with a view to secure additional volumes for the University Library.

#### Ethics Circle

The Ethics class, under the professorship of Father Harold Stockmann, presented the faculty and student body with a circle in ethics: it was delightful to hear the "deny the major" "subdistinguish the minor" and other such consecrated formulas echoing from former days.

#### Rallies

Pre-game rallies have brought distinguished speakers to the University, each of whom has added inspiration to a team and a student body which has tasted defeat but once this season.

#### Community Chest

Loyola University students took active part in the Community Chest Campaign not only by their own personal subscription, but also by acting as solicitors in the neighboring community of Inglewood, a service greatly appreciated by the officials of the Chest.

#### Charity Game

Loyola University is listed among the colleges of the nation as one of those ready to play a game for charity with a suitable opponent. As the News goes to press however the opponent has not yet been selected.

### Motion Picture Arts Building

Mr. Hart has started a move to have the Motion Picture Managers complete the funds needed for the Motion Picture Arts Building of Loyola University. What was contributed by the Managers does not cover more than one-fourth of the cost. And meanwhile there is heavy interest paid on the loan made to supply the missing three-fourths.

### Death of Relative

Father Wallrath, uncle of Father Zacheus Maher, died in Brazil, October 29, 1931. He was assistant pastor at St. Joseph's, San Jose, for a while. Previous to coming to the United States, he was a missionary in India.

### LOYOLA HIGH

#### Henry Welch Guild

On Thursday, November 5th, the Henry Welch Guild held its regular meeting for the month. The gathering was in the form of a reception to the mothers of the new students. A program of music by the school orchestra was enjoyed and afterward all repaired to the chapel. A short talk by Father Charles Leahy, containing words of encouragement, was followed by Solemn Benediction. Mr. Martin Garralaga sang the Ave Maria; Father John C. Ward sang the 'O Salutaris'; and the boys' choir, under the direction of Father Ortiz, sang the 'Tantum Ergo' to music of Father's own composition.

#### One Act Plays

Members of the 'Loyola Players' High School Dramatic Club are working hard, under the direction of Father O'Connell, to perfect themselves for their parts in the three one-act plays to be staged early in December.

#### Excellent Influence

Mr. Al Tassi, who has been teacher of History and Football Coach at Loyola for the past few months, has more than come up to expectations. His influence over the boys is the very best and the discipline maintained by him on the ball-field leaves nothing to be desired. While from the standpoint of games won, the football season just ended may not have been as successful as could be desired, yet the morale which Coach Tassi maintained among his players throughout a hard season, was remarked upon by many. After the game with Bakersfield High, played there on Armistice

Day, the Bakersfield Coach approached Coach Tassi and said "How do you instill such spirit into your boys? If I could do that we would never be beaten." Mr. Tassi graduated last May from Santa Clara. There he was always a leader and his playing on the varsity earned him the distinction of being named "All-Coast Center."

#### Sodality

The Boys' Sodality, under the direction of Father Charles Leahy, continues to thrive. On Thursday, Nov. 19th, there was a reception of new members, 75 being received. The membership now totals 164. At the beginning of November, 30 members were dropped for failing to maintain a conduct mark of eighty per cent. Many of these have sought readmittance and are making determined effort to so improve themselves that they may be allowed to rejoin the Sodality.

#### Loyalty Talk

On Tuesday, November 10th, the boys assembled in the auditorium, listened to a fine talk by Mr. Christy Walsh. Mr. Walsh was manager for the late Knute Rockne and he also has been manager for other celebrities, including "Babe" Ruth! In his talk to the boys Mr. Walsh took as his theme, "Loyalty to School and to Ideals". He told how much the training he received at Old St. Vincent's College meant to him. During his school-days there, he went out for everything, debating and dramatics and sports. Yet in spite of earnest efforts and countless novenas he never won a prize. Still these early disappointments enabled him to take the real knocks which came later on in life.

#### Sad Accident

Mr. George Dunne, third-year Philosopher at Mount St. Michael's arrived here Thursday, November 12th, to attend the funeral of his brother Francis, who was killed Nov. 11th in an automobile accident. Mr. Dunne's mother was prostrated from shock and it was feared for a time that she would not survive. Mass for her son at St. Brigid's Church was attended by members of the Faculty of Loyola High School and University. Father McCummiskey addressed words of comfort to relatives and friends of the family.

#### Requiem Mass

On Thursday, November 17th, the chaplain, Father Charles Leahy, cele-



brated mass in the boys' chapel before the entire student body and members of the faculty for deceased students and faculty members.

### Crusade for Help

Right Reverend Bishop Cantwell has ordered a crusade of prayer to implore Almighty God to send relief in the present serious unemployment situation. The crusade which began October 30th will continue until December 18th, consists of Rosary, Litany of the Saints and Benediction every Friday. Each Friday this duty is fulfilled by all the students and faculty, assembled in the boys' chapel.

### Personals

Father Rector was away from November 7th to November 18th making his retreat. Father Lyons, of Santa Clara University, was a visitor here November 5th and 6th. He accompanied the Santa Clara team which played Loyola University here November 6th.

### Popular Confessor

Father Martin Maher hears confessions here every Friday, and is very popular with the boys.

### Brothers Feasted

On Thursday, October 29th, the brothers celebrated the feast of St. Alphonsus Rodriguez. They were joined by the brothers from Loyola University at Del Rey at a gaudiosa dinner and in the evening they enjoyed a movie and haustus. The next day, the day of the feast itself, they had a holiday.

## HOLLYWOOD

### Free School

One Sunday each month a collection is taken up for Blessed Sacrament School. Recently this collection has been very small to take care of a school in which 500 children are educated, and which costs over \$1000 a month to operate. Blessed Sacrament School does not charge tuition for children living in the parish. As far as is known, it is the only free school in the diocese. The plan is to keep it free, but it may be necessary to fix a charge for each pupil.

### Laymen's Retreat Day

On November 15, the Loyola Laymen's Retreat Association inaugurated its first Annual Holy Communion Sunday. Rt. Rev. John Cawley, V. G. said the Mass, and Fr. John A.

McCummiskey, Moderator of the Association preached. Breakfast was served at the Roosevelt Hotel, where Mr. George M. Breslin, President of the Association presided, and the Hon. Walter Desmond, Judge of the Superior Court, was the speaker of the occasion.

### Attendance Encouraging

On November 8th, 4,800 attended Mass. There is always a big crowd on First Friday. Also there is a goodly number taking instructions to become Catholics.

## LOS GATOS

### Long Retreat

The novices began their long retreat on Nov. 7, and will finish on Dec. 7. Approximately 60 novices will make the whole of the retreat.

### Last Sacraments

Due to old age, Fr. James M. O'Sullivan, who is daily becoming weaker, was given Holy Viaticum and Extreme Unction on All Saints' Day. Several of the juniors and novices were present at the ceremony. Father has been ordered to take to his bed, although he is allowed to offer daily the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

### Appendicitis

Fr. Charles Walsh, professor in the Juniorate, underwent an operation for an appendicitis on Oct. 13 at Saint Mary's Hospital, San Francisco. After spending three weeks in the hospital, Father has recently returned to the Novitiate where he is convalescing.

### Statue Painted

The Sacred Heart statue, in front of the Novitiate, has been repainted by Bro. Goulet. The old paint had bleached considerably. Departing from the former color scheme, it has been repainted a rich ivory color. The heart was touched up with a brilliant red, and the rays extending therefrom were regilded. The base of the statue is to be covered with a coating of stucco cement.

### New Gas System

A new gas system for heating the boilers and the kitchen stoves was recently installed by the Pacific Gas and Electric Company, of San Jose. The expense of installing the piping and other material was defrayed by the Company. The use of gas, besides being less expensive than oil, will eliminate a lot of extra labor that was necessary in using oil. When

first it was used the pressure of the gas, which as yet had not been properly regulated, was so great that it cracked the inner back wall of one of the boilers. However it was repaired within a few hours and since then there has been no trouble. The money saved is to be paid out as installments on a new gas range for the kitchen, in place of the old oil range.

### Roads Graveled

Workmen are engaged in completing the graveling of the plateau in front of the Novitiate, which, at intervals during the past two years was graveled in spots to prevent the ground from being washed out during the winter months. The road leading to Della Strada has likewise been graveled.

### First Vows

Three scholastics and one coadjutor novice were admitted to their first vows; on Oct. 17, the feast of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Bro. Everett M. Ruelle, Bro. Michael B. Kunz, and Bro. Andrew G. Vachon, on Oct. 30, the feast of St. Alphonsus Rodriguez, S. J., Bro. Oliver Goulet.

### New Novices

Two more scholastic novices and two coadjutor postulants entered the Novitiate in November. The scholastics are: San Mateo, Calif., George M. Tiaffay; Los Angeles, Earl A. Held. The new coadjutor postulants are: Sebastopol, Calif., Joseph Green; San Francisco, Reginald F. Hunter.

## SANTA CLARA

### ST. CLARE'S CHURCH

#### Paving Fund

A heavy paving bill was given to St. Clare's Church, School, and Convent, which amounted to \$3,136.31. By the help of generous friends and parishoners, \$2,531.50 was paid in October.

#### Relief Work

Used clothing for the poor has been sent to the Rectory which is distributing these articles through the Holy Family Sisters and the Relief Ladies of the parish.

## SAN FRANCISCO

### Gym Classes

Gymnasium as a subject was adopted at St. Ignatius High four years ago. It has been dropped again because of the constant disturbance to the classes in regular session.

### Honor Society

St. Ignatius Honor Society was organized two years ago, and has been a member of the C. S. F. (California Scholastic Federation) for one year. Life Members receive the C. S. F. gold pin at graduation, and a gold seal on their diplomas, and on entrance into college are automatically pledged to the Phi Beta Kappa fraternity, an international honor society.

To be eligible for Life Membership a student must receive ten honor points in each of six semesters, one of which semesters must be in senior year.

Of the ten honor points eight must be gained in curricular studies. Three are gained in each subject for a semester average of 93 or over. One out of the ten may be gained by a semester average of 85 to 93.

Two of the ten may be earned by extra-curricular activities. One of these is earned if a student is a student body officer, the editor of one of the school papers (monthly or annual), Junior or Senior president, a blockman, a participant in a major debate.

There are novice members who receive novice pins. A novice is one who has received his ten points during the past semester, but who has not yet earned the six semesters.

### Propagation of Faith

Father Dennis Sweeney, director of the Propagation of Faith in San Francisco addressed the High School Student Body which last year led the city in its contributions. He suggested that each student give a dollar a year.

### Music and Song

The orchestra practices in the auditorium every Monday evening. The band practices every noon in the band room, and drills twice a week on the field.

The seniors have formed an enthusiastic Glee Club.

The three directors are all school boys who are under the supervision of one of the Scholastics.



## SAN JOSE BELLARMINE PREP

### Examinations

A change was introduced this year regarding monthly examinations. It was felt that they crowded both student and teacher. Examinations will be held every other month. Reports, however, will be issued each month, the marks for the non-examination months being based on daily work. The semester repetitions and examinations remain as before.

### Debating

On November 16 our Senior Debating Society held an informal, private practice debate here with the team of San Mateo High.

### Play Rehearsals

Dramatic coach Arthur H. Kenny is experimenting in rehearsing the three one-act plays for Dec. 11. Only three weeks will elapse between the beginning of memorizing the parts and the night of the performance. Each day Mr. Kenny trains two of the casts while the remaining one is set to rehearse by itself. This last part of the scheme seemed at first too idealistic, but Mr. Kenny reports; "It works."

### Auditorium Improved

Our improved auditorium was given its first public display at the rally for the Bellarmine-San Jose High football classic. A large audience studied the new valance showing a colored Bellarmine shield on a background of gold lattice work, against a sunset sky. The curtain looked new in its refreshed maroon coating. Green "exit" lights gave the hall a theater touch. With the parting of the curtain was seen the enlarged stage, one of the biggest, public or private, in the valley. The readjusted footlights improved the stage lighting very satisfactorily.

### Eligibility Dispute

San Jose was recently stirred by reports of a likely athletic split between Bellarmine and San Jose High. Our football game was fast becoming a civic event. An open letter addressed by Fr. McCann to R. B. Leland, principal of San Jose, brought the latter's high-handed methods to public notice and drew his resentment.

The circumstances were: Over a

week before the game the eligibility of two of our strong players seemed doubtful, according to our contract which was to be interpreted by C. I. F. regulations. We took the matter up with Mr. Leland, he being a leading official of the C. I. F. He ruled against the players. Taking the correctness of his interpretations for granted, we handed in our list of names, minus those two. The night before the game we learned that Mr. Leland had misinterpreted, apparently intentionally. At the game we sent the two boys in. Mr. Leland immediately came upon the field and threatened to withdraw his team if one of the two, our pivot man, was not taken off. He ignored our argument of the player's eligibility, and took his stand on the fact that the boy's name was not on the list submitted. As a matter of fact there was no requirements for such a list in the contract. In the end we kept the man out, not to disappoint the four thousand spectators. However, the impression was created that we had tried to slip in an ineligible player and got caught. Fr. McCann's open letter was published in the papers to show the honesty of our actions.

## HOLY FAMILY

### Burglars

Burglars broke into Holy Family Church, November 8, while a dinner was being given elsewhere for the parishoners. Apparently the place was watched, for during one half hour when the priest on duty was away the burglars forced the lock of the tabernacle, emptied the B. Sacrament into the tabernacle, and examined the ciboria. Finding them to be not costly, the burglars left the ciboria behind. They then went to the sacristy and examined the sacred vessels, again finding them not costly enough for theft.

## PORT TOWNSEND, WASH.

Fr. Diomedi, who is the oldest member of the Province, and probably the patriarch of all the priests in the Northwest, celebrated the 70th anniversary of his admission to the Society on November 21. V. R. F. General sent 70 Masses for the occasion.

## SEATTLE

### SEATTLE COLLEGE

#### Boys' Retreat

The annual retreat was held Oct. 20-22. The exercises for the college and high school seniors were given by Father Smith (N. E.) at Broadway and Madison. Permission for a temporary altar was granted by the Bishop, and arranged by Fr. J. Prange. Father Moriarity (N. E.) conducted the retreat for the high school boys.

#### Bodies of Ours Removed

The remains of Fr. Robert Smith (died 1911), Fr. Paul Dethour (died 1915) and of Brother Lemire (died 1913) were removed from Calvary Cemetery, Seattle, to Mt. St. Michael's on Oct. 22.

Brother Lemire belonged, at one time, to the Province of Canada and spent some years in Northern Alaska.

#### Father L.B. Egan

Father Egan, confined to Providence Hospital for some time, returned to his office as Principal of the High School on Oct. 22.

#### V. Rev. Francis Menager

V. Rev. Francis Menager, Superior of the Alaskan Missions, paid us a visit on Nov. 5. He and Father Woodley's brother were accompanying the body of Father Woodley to New York.

#### Mothers' Club

The Mothers' Club gave a card party on Nov. 7. It was well attended. The proceeds will be applied to the payment of the interest on the debt of the gymnasium.

On Nov. 17, the Mothers' Club held their annual Turkey Dinner for the members of the football squad. The members of the faculty were invited. Rev. Fr. Rector addressed the boys, congratulating them on their precious victory over O'Dea High, their arch rivals, which brought the Catholic High School Championship of Western Washington. He reminded the boys that they should endeavor to reflect credit on Seattle College, not only on the gridiron, but everywhere and at all times.

#### Father Bellanger

Father Bellanger, Tertian from Port Townsend, is under treatment at Providence Hospital.

#### Graduation Address

Father Egan delivered the customary address at the Graduation of the nurses at Providence Hospital on Nov. 20. He lectures there every Thursday.

## SPOKANE

### GONZAGA UNIVERSITY

#### Philomatheia Club

The first meeting of the Philomatheia Club for 1931-1932 was held October 20. Invitations had been sent through the high school students to their mothers, and by mail to about a hundred mothers of past students. About a hundred ladies were present at the meeting. Father Geo. Bailey appeared in his Major's uniform, and spoke on his experiences as a war chaplain.

#### Fort Wright

Fr. Bailey conducts weekly services at Fort Wright for the catholic soldiers on duty at the Post. He has a Sunday school for the children of the officers. His small but devoted congregation is preparing a High Mass for Christmas.

#### Student Spiritual Council

Under the direction of Fr. Tim Driscoll, students' chaplain, plans for the formation of the Student Spiritual Council have been perfected by the College Sodality. Committee chairmen were appointed for the Eucharistic Section, Our Lady's Section, Missions, Publicity and Membership, Social Committee. Before the feast of the Immaculate Conception, a triduum of Holy Communions will be held for the intentions of the Holy Father. A record will be made of Communions received during the triduum, and together with those of all the Catholic Schools in the country, will be sent to the Pope before Christmas.

#### Knights of the Leash

The Gonzaga Knights of the Leash were hosts to the visiting Bellarmine Team of Tacoma. Through the efforts of the reception committee, the visitors were immediately taken to Gonzaga for breakfast, after which they were shown about the buildings and grounds. Grateful comments were expressed by the coach and physical director on the hospitality shown them while at Gonzaga.

Lately the Knights of the Leash, high school honor society, admitted twelve new members. These were accepted after they had been approved by the club members. All members must have a scholastic average of 80 or above.

#### Question Box

The establishment of a Question Box enhances considerably the value of the weekly Wednesday morning



chapel lectures. Religious difficulties and points which are not entirely clear, can be dropped into the box for explanation on the following Wednesday, when Fr. Driscoll instructs the assembled college men.

#### Glee

Thirty-two students at Gonzaga have signed up for Glee Club work under Mr. Arthur H. Biggs, director of the organization. He is enthusiastic over the material and hopes to develop an excellent vocal club.

The quartet which in past seasons performed in conjunction with the Glee Club will be resumed.

#### Father Rebmann

During the first week of October, Father Rebmann, the first president of Gonzaga University, was the principal speaker at the Catholic Jubilee banquet at the Davenport Hotel. Though 80 years old, Father Rebmann held his audience spell-bound. He related events of early Spokane history and showed the changes that have taken place during his life in Spokane.

The Gonzaga Bulletin reproduced the whole of his address.

#### Cataldo Play

On the occasion of the same Jubilee, during the celebration at the Post Street Theatre in honor of the visiting bishops, a short play presented by Gonzaga students under the supervision of Father Linden, was a prominent feature. Written and directed by Father Linden, the play was based on the influence of Father Cataldo whose pleadings saved the lives of the settlers in the Northwest from angry Indians.

#### Sodality Fund

At an October meeting in the students' chapel definite plans were made to raise a sodality fund whose purposes are to cover the expenses of the Sodality's activities throughout the year. The fund will be raised mostly by the generosity of the sodalists in contributing towards this purpose.

#### Football Praying

Praying football teams are not an extraordinary thing, but a praying football team backed by a praying student body is something new even at Gonzaga. For years the Bulldog and Bullpup teams have not neglected to call down the aid of the Almighty on their efforts. This year the high school has been behind its team one hundred per cent in this re-

gard. Mass and Communion is the order on the days of all football games.

#### The Team!

Here is a portion of a letter written by the manager of athletics, printed in the Gonzaga Bulletin: "I wish to express my heartiest congratulations to the members of the varsity football squad, not only for the wonderful showing they made in their recent contest against St. Mary's, but particularly for the good behavior they displayed on their trip. In my years with the athletic teams I have found no squad that would compare with the present members of the football team in regard to their gentlemanly conduct."

The same comment has been made by many outsiders.

#### Teachers' Institute

On the occasion of the Teachers' Institute" during the last week of October, Fr. Julius La Motta, S. J., addressed the assembled teachers of the Classics, in the auditorium of Lewis and Clark High School. The subject of his address was: "Practical Advantages of the Study of the Classics." His words made a deep impression.

### MT. ST. MICHAEL'S

#### Disputation

The first disputation of the school year was held on November 21. Mr. Burrus defended in Theodicy, with Messers Collins and Hanley as objectors. Mr. Paul O'Brien was the defender in Ethics, with Messers Jahn and MacGregor as objectors. In Psychology, Mr. Weller defended, while Messers Allen (N. O.) and Deasy acted as objectors. At noon Mr. Vachon read a paper on Neo-Kantianism and God's Existence. The scientific lecture in the evening was delivered by Mr. Marshall, assisted by Mr. A. O'Hara. The subject of the lecture was the structure and functions of the sense organs.

#### Mr. Dunne

Mr. George Dunne was called to Los Angeles on November 11, where his mother is critically ill due to the shock occasioned by the sudden death of her eldest son in an automobile accident.

#### Mr. Bacigalupi

Mr. Natalis Bacigalupi recently underwent a successful operation for appendicitis, and is now convalescing at the Sacred Heart Hospital.

### Chinese Missionary

Fr. Neary, a former missionary in China who has been recalled to the Irish province, recently visited Mt. St. Michael's, and delivered two very interesting lectures on the Chinese missions.

### Debating Society

At the next meeting of the Debating Society the question of the desirability of a Catholic Political Party in the United States will be discussed. Messers Christoph and Parolick will uphold the affirmative side of the question, while Messers Kern and Woodley will be the speakers for the negative.

## MISSIONS

### KOTZEBUE—ALASKA

#### Slow Freight

Because the Baldwin Freight Co. failed to unload the lumber intended for the Father's house at Kotzebue, and instead took it back to Seattle, Fr. Baltussen had to pay \$100 for material from a local store. The lumber was needed to make the house a little more habitable for the very severe winter. A single floor is not the thing to make a house warm in Kotzebue. To purchase flooring at 15 cents a foot was out of the question. Next spring the pastor hopes to put Celotex on the floor and cover it with battleship linoleum.

In October two pairs of woolen socks, with a third pair of reindeer socks over them fail to keep the feet warm.

#### Competition

Up to now the Quakers have had very strict Ministers in Kotzebue, but this year they have a new man who is very lenient. It used to be a mortal sin to cook the meals on Sunday. Now the natives may go hunting, fishing, and do whatever they like on Sunday, and the new Minister sets the example.

The open opposition to the Catholics has stopped ever since the new pastor, Fr. Baltussen, shook hands with Mr. Downs, the minister of the Friends, on the landing field. He had come half way, and the pastor thought he should go the other half. Kotzebue has never known such peace as it is enjoying now. The pastor can go to any house, even to that of a Friend, and be well received.

But the competition between the minister and the pastor, though

quiet, is one of the keenest. Fr. Baltussen will have to work hard and fast, or lose.

#### Language

The big drawback is the language. It is somewhat different from that of the Seward Peninsula. But Fr. Lafortune has started to translate the catechism, of which he finished five lessons. Fr. Baltussen is finishing it with the aid of four of the best educated Eskimos and Half-Breeds who speak English.

#### Converts

This difficult translation has to be done, because on the baptismal register there is not the name of a single native who speaks only his native tongue. Eskimos have come to Fr. Baltussen to be instructed, but he could not help them, because they did not understand one word of English. He has made several copies of what Fr. Lafortune has translated, but finds that even the best educated among the Eskimos can hardly read their own language. He has to read it to them.

#### Busy

This keeps the pastor very busy, as he has to say his office, do his own cooking and cleaning and repairing, attend the fires, give three catechism classes in the afternoon, prepare three instructions a week, and the Sunday sermon. These have to be written out so that the interpreter may translate them, and his translation has to be carefully watched. As a result the pastor is up till 12 p. m. frequently, working on his next instruction.

#### Too Much Church

With the Quakers the people had to stay in church for hours at a time under pain of hell fire. The Catholic priest must be careful in urging things not of precept. An immoderate zeal might close the church. Most of the time there is no one at daily Mass. They will come to Sunday Mass and Benediction, if there is something in the hall to draw them. Thus far on Sunday the church has been nearly full. For the anniversary Mass for Fr. Delon and Fr. Walsh, there were so many present that quite a few had to stand the whole time. It was a High Mass sung by the priest alone. He had drilled the choir which could have sung with the organ, but the organist who is not yet a Catholic, thinking services would



be like the rehearsals at 8 p. m., did not show up. The people were pleased with the solo service.

### Shipwreck

The pastor sent the Marquette starter to Brother Feltes. It went with the N. A. T. plane as far as Nome where the starter was left because the plane was ordered north to rescue a crew off a Canadian fur trader. Three N. A. T. planes were a week at Kotzebue, one of them on each side of the pastor's house. First they were stormbound. Then they went to Point Barrow to get the Canadian crew. They returned to Kotzebue for provisions which they took to Point Barrow. Then back again to Kotzebue. Meanwhile the starter is still in Nome.

## ANCHORAGE STORY

The body of Father George H. Woodley was brought to Anchorage by Arthur Woodley, brother, and Dan O. Kennedy, who were with Father Woodley on a sheep hunting expedition about 12 miles from Chickaloon when the fatal accident occurred.

The death of Father Woodley occurred on the last day of the hunt. The three men had started out early Monday in quest of sheep, Arthur Woodley and Mr. Kennedy ascending one mountain and Father Woodley climbing another, almost opposite and so close that the climbers were visible to each other for a considerable time as they made their way slowly up the slopes through the snow.

When Mr. Kennedy and Art Woodley descended the mountain during the late afternoon, following a successful hunt, it was almost dark and they looked for a fire in the gulch, thinking that Father Woodley might have returned to camp ahead of them. When they did not see a camp fire, Art Woodley fired his rifle and called to his brother, feeling certain that he must be within hearing distance. It was too dark by that time to see any object across the gulch.

Back came an answering call from Father Woodley, some distance away but clearly audible. He asked if everything was all right with them and then informed them that he needed help but without explaining the nature of the assistance needed. And there was no further response from him in answer to the repeated calls.

Owing to the distance and the intervening gorge it was not possible

to determine the exact place from which the call for aid came, but the two men set out for the opposite mountain and spent the greater part of the night searching, convinced that some accident had befallen Father Woodley. It was not possible to do much, however, owing to the darkness.

The following morning Mr. Kennedy resumed the search, taking with him a blanket and food and first aid kit, his pack weighing about 40 pounds. Art Woodley set out at the same time for Chickaloon to get aid.

With the aid of daylight Mr. Kennedy picked up the trail of Father Woodley and had followed it sufficiently far to convince him that it led into the gorge when he chanced across A. R. Griffith and Walter Minick. They were informed of what had happened and of the belief of Mr. Kennedy that the trail led into the gorge and, after a hurried lunch and a change into dry socks, they took up the search where Mr. Kennedy had left off. Later in the day the searchers were joined by George Balanger, Jack Galovan and Lee Harrison and by night it was considered certain by all of them that the missing man would be found at the bottom of the gorge. The search was discontinued Tuesday night, after dark and resumed early the following morning and at about 5 o'clock Balanger and Griffith found the lifeless body, close to the creek at the bottom of the gorge—so close that the hands were in the water. It was apparent that the priest had fallen about 20 feet, striking on his left shoulder in such a way that his neck was broken, causing instant death. His head was bruised and cut.

The palms of both hands were torn and cut, giving rise to the belief that Father Woodley had clung to a ledge of rock as long as he had strength to hold on that when he finally fell his feet struck against the rocky wall and caused him to turn over backwards so that he struck on his shoulder. It is the belief of his brother and Mr. Kennedy that he was clinging to the rock when he answered the call from the opposite mountain.

The sheep which Father Woodley had shot on his trip up the mountain and which he was packing back to camp, partially dressed, was found, but up to the time the searchers started on their return trip to Chickaloon, nothing had been seen of the

gun which the priest had carried.

Father Woodley was 29 years of age and during the two years he spent in Anchorage, in charge of the local Catholic church, in 1928 and 1929, he endeared himself to the entire community. He was an ardent hunter and had visited the Chickaloon district on at least two occasions previous to his death.

He returned to Alaska recently, accompanied by his brother and father, having flown his own plane from New York. After a short visit at Fairbanks, the two brothers flew to Nulato and from there to Anchorage, the father in the meantime, having returned to his home in the east. Besides his brother, Arthur, and aged father, Father Woodley is survived by a sister, Sister Mary Ambrosia of St. Vincent hospital, New York. The mother and two brothers are resting in Calvary cemetery.

Mr. Woodley is deeply appreciative of the aid given him in the search for his brother and of the many expressions of sympathy by Anchorage friends; also of the assistance given by Mr. and Mrs. Ross Heckey at Chickaloon, whose establishment was placed at the service of those who were engaged in the search.

—Anchorage Daily Times.

#### Solemn Requiem

An impressive Solemn Requiem Mass was celebrated over the remains at Holy Family Church, Anchorage. The following were the officers at the Mass: V. Rev. Francis Menager, S. J., celebrant; Father Eline, S. J., deacon; Father Dane, S. J., sub-deacon; Brother Lapeyre, S. J., master of ceremonies; Brother Feltes, S. J., censor.

#### Planes Drop Wreaths

Touching tribute to the memory of the late Father George Woodley was paid by Alaska airmen as the train bearing the mortal remains of the beloved priest-pilot left the Anchorage depot enroute to Seward. Four planes were in the air, circling about the depot, dropping wreaths on the train, and when the train started on its way to Seward the planes gave escort for a considerable distance.

#### With Remains

V. R. Francis Menager, Superior General of Alaska, accompanied the body of Father Woodley from Seattle to New York City where the remains were interred almost a month after the accident.

### Deaths in the Provinces of the United States

Fr. Arthur M. Michaud, Nov. 18, 1931, Kingston, Jamaica (N. E.)

Fr. Aloysius Soer, Nov. 29, Great Falls, Mont. (Holl.)

Fr. John Cunningham, Dec. 2, San Francisco, Calif. (Cal.)

### Deaths of Relatives

The mother of Mr. Eugene LeGault died in Spokane, November 5, 1931.

The brother of Mr. George Dunne, Francis Dunne, died in Los Angeles, Nov. 11.

A sister-in-law of Fr. John Post died in San Francisco, Nov. 15th.

### MONTANA

#### St. Paul's Mission

St. Paul's Mission was partly destroyed by fire, November 5. No one was injured. But as there was no water, the Sisters' building is in ruins, also the dining room, and the Mission Church.

The nuns and girls have been removed to the Fathers' building. Some of the Indians have been sent home until other arrangements can be made.

A detailed story of the fire will appear later.

### MISSOULA, MONT.

Fr. McNamara has been in the hospital during November for an operation on the neck. While there he fainted because of an unsuspected ulcer of the stomach. This will keep him in bed until after Christmas. Meanwhile Fr. Dillon is substituting for him in Missoula.

### DESMET, IDA.

The authorities apprehended the two men who robbed the church at Desmet, Idaho. All the sacred vessels were recovered; but the Sacred Hosts had been devoured by the burglars, one of whom is a half-breed from Desmet, and the other is a Nez Perce fullblood.



## LEWISTON, IDA.

St. Stanislaus parish school opened September 8, with 162 boys and girls in the grammar classes.

The feast of the Jesuit Martyrs, which was preceded by a week's preparation, was celebrated with a high mass at which the large attendance received Holy Communion.

## CHINA

### Gonzaga College

The new school opened September 14, with 36 students equally divided into Chinese and Foreign Boys. There are 20 in First High, and 16 in 8th Grade. The school has accommodations for 80 pupils. The delay in announcing the opening of the school has resulted in a very small number, particularly since there have been so many requests for an American Jesuit College in Shanghai. It is better, perhaps, to begin in a small way. "Though" writes Father Moore, "when I see but five foreign boys in the Preparatory Class, sitting in a nice room fitted up with 20 brand new, hardwood desks, listening to my history lessons, I earnestly wish there were more students."

As a day school we are rather far out from Shanghai, being only 10 minutes' walk from Zikawei. Happily, just now there are no boarders, as there is no place for them. The distances in a large city like Shanghai which has over three millions, are very great. To get "down town" means about the same as going from San Jose to the Los Gatos Novitiate.

The Principal, Father Moore, is "utility man" with thirteen hours' class a week. Fr. Joseph Ting, S. J., is assistant prefect of studies, and is a great help in dealing with the Chinese boys. There is also one extern Chinese professor, who comes from the Zikawei Normal School, and teaches Chinese literature for two hours a day.

### Status

The complete status for Gonzaga College is: Fathers Pius L. Moore, Joseph Ting, John A. Lennon, Leo F. McGreal, Messrs. Albert C. Corcoran, and Thomas J. Phillips, and Mr. Sen Ping-wen (a layman).

Mr. Rouleau has charge of all the English courses at Aurora.

Fr. Kearney who has gone to Nan-king, hears confessions in Chinese and catechizes and preaches in Chinese.

## Books

Some time ago, Mr. Simons sent out an appeal for school books for the new school. Fr. Spearman used his influence at St. Mary's, Kansas, where the high school closed at the end of the past semester. Many books were being stored away for a possible use at some future time. Two big boxes of these books are now on their way to Gonzaga College, Shanghai.

## OUTSIDE THE PROVINCE

### Father Hubbard

The value of the scientific data gathered by Fr. Hubbard on his trip to the Aniakchak volcano in Alaska was very great. He obtained samples of gases, minerals forming, fumarolic incrustations, mineral waters, and temperatures. The finds were put in sealed bottles furnished by the Carnegie Foundation of Washington, D. C., and sent on to Washington. The Carnegie experts will analyze all the samples and turn their data over to Fr. Hubbard.

Plans are being made for the Golden Jubilee of the Alaska Mission. It is the hardest mission in the Church and deserves to have something notable to show the wonderful work done during the past 50 years. Fr. Hubbard has suggested a copiously illustrated book with good historic accounts, elegantly bound, and presented to the Holy Father and V. R. Fr. General, along with reels of motion pictures illustrating Alaska and its missions.

Rome was not built in a day, nor can one man cover in one year a half million square miles of territory and take movies of it. It will take another year and a half to accomplish this task. It would be different if Fr. Hubbard had unlimited money to aid him. It is a noteworthy thing that he has not used Province money to explore and exploit Alaska, but has built up the needed funds by giving lectures.

### Scientific Discovery

In a letter written October 31 from New York City, Father Hubbard writes:

"I went to Washington, D. C. (in the last week of October) and obtained one of the greatest scientific victories of my life, one which I never expect to duplicate. I spent the day at the Carnegie Geo-physical Laboratory with Dr. Zies and Dr. Fenner, two of the greatest author-

ities in the world on volcanoes. They informed me that one discovery I made in the Aniakhak Eruption was worth the whole summer's work. Scientists had theorized on the possibility of hydrochloric elements in volcanic eruptions, but could never substantiate their theories with actual facts. I had a sealed specimen bottle full of the one "fact" sought in vain for years! They are analyzing the specimens I submitted and giving me full credit in the next Carnegie report.

"Bill Regan collected these specimens for me and deserves great credit for his care and diligence.

"My trip to Washington was highly successful. This week I also finished writing a story for the Saturday Evening Post."

### Consideration in Contract

In the contract which Father Hubbard has signed with the National Broadcasting Company, it is permitted that he lecture to convents privately for the Alaska Missions, it is agreed that nothing is expected of him in opposition to the wishes of his ecclesiastical superiors, or out of keeping with his ministerial duties as a priest.

### Theologians

Mr. M. G. Flaherty who is at Valkenburg, spent most of his summer vacation in bed because of an operation. He is back at his studies again.

#### St. Mary's, Kansas

There are 160 theologians at St. Mary's, Kansas.

### Father O'Reilly

Father P. J. O'Reilly in October gave a big mission at Gate of Heaven Church, South Boston. The preachers of this retreat were: Fathers John T. McGrory, Patrick J. O'Reilly, John F. Duston, Daniel P. Mahoney, and Edward M. Sullivan. On account of the illness of Father McClorey who had to return to Detroit because of heart trouble, Father O'Reilly will take his place for the mission engagements for which he was signed up.

### A Boston Mission

The mission at the Gate of Heaven parish in Boston given by four Jesuit Fathers for three weeks, was typical of the many missions in the city of Boston during the year. In the first week for the married women there were about 1,700 present each even-

ing. The second week for the young women counted about the same number. The mission for the men in the third week broke the record for the first two weeks, the number reaching to 2,500 at the evening service. This large number necessitated using the upper and lower church space, so that there were two missions in session every night of the mission for men.

The number of communicants was very large, about 30,000 during the three weeks. Each morning after the Offertory of the mass, two priests began to distribute the holy sacrament; and on Sundays four priests were needed.

The mission for the children of the parochial grade school took place during the first week, over 1,200 boys and girls made their mission. The babies of the parish, to the number of 900, were blessed very solemnly on the Saturday of the first week. As usual they had their own choir, with every note in the scale ascending from piano to crescendo during the ceremony, and, at times with overwhelming effect, making the voice of the preacher seem no louder than a whisper. Birth-prevention is no besetting sin in South Boston; and the district is 70% catholic.

The closing of the three missions was most impressive. During the renewal of the Baptismal promises candles were held in the right hand; they were lighted, only for the closing of the mission for the men. All the electric lights in the church were dimmed to a vanish. To hear the manly voices of those men, and to see lighted candles typical of the light of faith in their hearts, was a scene strikingly impressive and not soon to be forgotten.

Both the morning mission masses were well attended; the first was at 5 and the second at 8 o'clock. Hundreds of young men and women daily attending mass a few hours before their toil of the day began, and returning again in the evening for the rosary, instruction and mission sermon; middle-aged men and women too, strong, all of them, in the faith of other days, made one think: Surely there is faith in the land today, and Boston is as catholic as Dublin.

### Fr. Hagemann

Father Hagemann is now in Germany at Kaulbach Strasse 31a, Munich 2 N. O. His occupation in stenographic Latin is: Stud. in univ. ad oper. "Monumenta hist. S. J."



### Roman Tertians

Father Dougherty and Father Mifsud are making their tertianship at Piazza del Gesu 45, Rome, Italy. Through no fault of theirs, they arrived two weeks late, as the tertianship began sooner than at first expected. Efforts were made to reach our two men, but without success.

The two Fathers saw Father General on September 27, arrived at the tertianship on September 28, and began their Long Retreat on October 1, with some twelve companions.

Father Mifsud is in excellent health. Father Dougherty who has been ill for some time, paid a visit to Lourdes and bathed in the miraculous waters, and received the blessings given to the sick. So far, our Lady has not granted the favor which he sought, but he hopes to be able to complete the Third Year of Probation.

### SHERIDAN

#### New Tabernacle

A beautiful tabernacle has been installed in the Novitiate Chapel. Cylindrical in form, it is 30" high and 20" in diameter. Constructed of steel and bronze, it is gold lacquered. The face of the tabernacle is richly ornamented and hand tooled; as is also the frame around the double door.

A quarter turn of the key unlocks a door which revolves to the right, and automatically opens the second door which turns to the left. This locking device offers special safety against burglars and vandals.

The tabernacle was specially constructed for the Novitiate by the Daprato Statuary Co. of Chicago, and was made according to instructions from Fr. Patrick J. O'Reilly, S. J.

The tabernacle was very appropriately placed in position for the feast of St. Francis Xavier, who is the patron of the Sheridan Novitiate. The present altar is out of all comparison with the tabernacle which is a gorgeous and most worthy resting place for the Blessed Sacrament. Even though the novices are, our Lord is not pioneering.

### ALASKA AIRPLANE

#### Detour

Brother Feltes and Brother Lapeyre after being delayed at Anchorage at first by a defect in the airplane starter, then by bad weather and the Woodley funeral, finally took off for

Holy Cross. To avoid the danger connected with crossing the Alaska Range which is between Anchorage and Holy Cross to the west, and which contains such mountains as Mt. Spurr 11,070 feet high, and Mt. Dall 9000 feet high, the Brothers took a northwest course up to McGrath and followed a valley pass through the mountains.

#### Searchers

They left McGrath November 22, and started on a southwest course of 150 miles towards Holy Cross. As the hours went by, they became overdue, and anxiety was felt for them. Two planes were sent in search of the Brothers, but on account of poor visibility could not locate them.

Then Harry Blunt who flew with Father Hubbard last winter during the exploration of the Katmai Volcano, and who had formed a great friendship with the Brothers while they were at Anchorage, went to McGrath to aid in the search.

#### Pilot Cautious

Father Provincial appealed to Father Eline at Fairbanks for further information. The answer dated November 27 reads: Nothing to report about Feltes. Foggy near McGrath. Feltes probably grounded plane waiting for clear weather. Blunt went searching yesterday and has not reported back. Feltes carries stove, snow shoes, plenty food, warm clothing. Feltes reputed cautious and not likely to crash. Alaska planes often missing for days. Shall send Woodley's plane searching tomorrow.

#### Found

On November 28, Father Dane telegraphed from Anchorage: Brothers found today, alive and well, by Pilot Blunt.

Father Dane sent more detailed information on November 29: Last message from Nichols accompanying Blunt. Found flyers head of Ganes Creek, foot Crater Mountain. Flyers safe. Both walked around plane. Waved to us. Had fire. We circled around and dropped sack of food. Plane making forced landing appears (to) have broken landing gear. We are sending dog team from Tacotna (some 25 miles away).

#### Dogs

Two days later when another plane went out to Crater Mountain, Brother Feltes signaled it to land. This the pilot was afraid to do, lest he should be unable to take off again. The plane circled around looking for

the dog team, but was unable to find it anywhere. Father Provincial decided to wait one more day and then if the team did not reach the Brothers, he would send another team out, for it was just possible that the dogs had lost their way in the deep snow, and were traveling far away in the wrong direction.

On December 2, the dogs had worked their way over the new trail and had reached the Brothers.

#### Plane Uninjured

On December 5, Brother Feltes sent the following wire from Tacotna: Lapeyre and self fine at Tacotna. Landed in large field with idea of checking motor, but snow was too deep to get off. Then got storm-bound for six days, and used up fuel to cook and keep warm. Party brought us to Tacotna tonight (December 5). We will bring fuel to plane and fly it out in a couple of days, weather permitting. Regards to all. Please inform all that there is absolutely no damage to plane, and that we are fine.

#### Pilot Skilful

Everywhere in the United States, air-pilots have praised most highly the splendid handling of the plane by Brother Feltes. Neither would the present trouble have occurred, had there not been the unfortunate and unforeseen delay at Anchorage. The skill and caution of the Brother are such that implicit trust is placed in his ability and judgment.

#### REV. JOHN CUNNINGHAM, S. J.

Father John Cunningham who died in San Francisco, December 2, 1931, was active to the end. On the evening of November 30, he held a Council Meeting of the Gentlemen's Sodality, at which was discussed the annual December retreat of the organization. On December 1, he went to Berkeley where he baptized on her death-bed Mrs. Haley, the wife of Professor Haley who is in charge of the Biology Department at the University of San Francisco. That afternoon he was not so well and, of his own accord, went to St. Mary's Hospital for the night. Next morning, December 2, the Sisters had him anointed by Father Richard Bell; in the afternoon he died.

He was the first native of California to enter the Society. As a boy he studied at St. Ignatius, San Francisco. He spent his noviceship at Santa Clara, where later he taught

with great success for 14 years. In English and in the ancient classics he had an unusual proficiency.

He was a great organizer of boys. With no up-to-the-minute equipment, he was able in a bare hall to gather the working boys of Santa Clara about him night after night, and so entertain them that they had to be driven home when closing time came.

In San Jose after he had received from Mrs. O'Connor the Sodality Ball Park on San Carlos Street, he had as many as 14 boys' baseball teams, and 8 of these teams had distinctive uniforms. No wonder the boys idolized him.

In his band in San Jose he had 80 instruments. But wherever he went, he organized a band or directed one; in San Jose, Santa Clara, Santa Barbara, San Francisco, Tacoma, Klamath Falls.

Ours were not always so enthusiastic about his band, for while good music is charming, the blah-blah, and the boo-boo of the individual instruments by themselves is not so wonderful, particularly when no one is keeping any time.

For many years he was director of the Gentlemen's Sodality in San Francisco. He it was who by reason of his love of literature added many excellent books to their library.

At his funeral the Gentlemen's Sodality had the place of honor, and were present in very large numbers. Great St. Ignatius Church was filled on that occasion. The Archbishop was present at the Mass. Before he read the last absolution, the Archbishop spoke a few simple words in praise of the deceased. At the close of the ceremony some 150 priests walked to the door of the church accompanying the remains on their last journey.

Among the pall bearers in San Francisco were Major Carrere and John Pope; and at the cemetery, James Bacigalupi. Men of past days were present, such as Mr. Hoffman and James Leonard; and also simple truck drivers and artisans, as well as men of business and the professions. Men grieved and even shed tears over the loss of Father Cunningham who had been a true, devoted friend in their boyhood and later years. At the grave there was an unusual volume of many voices in the English prayers said for the departed.

At his death, Father Cunningham was 77 years old, and had spent almost 60 years in the Society.